

CAC Personal

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Dear George:

As our official relationship ends, although I am sure our personal one will endure, I want to record my enormous appreciation for all you have done. With great dedication, with great knowledge, and with great loyalty, you have not only supported me but you have reached out ahead to see and do what was needed in our common task. With great tact and yet determination, you have turned the National Intelligence Officer concept into an institution which has been invaluable to me and valuable to our country. I thank you for your work, for your eloquence, and for the warmth of your friendship.

Sincerely,

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W. E. Colby
Director

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

May 12, 1976

Dear George:

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This is a follow-up to our conversation yesterday during which I asked you to take on the fascinating and important task of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] As I told you, I see this as of crucial importance to insuring that the DCI and CIA are devoting officers of the very highest quality in meeting the challenges in Europe. With [REDACTED] we are investing very heavily, indeed. But all of us will be confident that those [REDACTED] are in excellent hands.

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All of us in the Intelligence Community owe you a very special debt for your magnificent work in recent years -- first, as an orchestrator of intelligence concerning Vietnam, and later as the founder of the NIO system which got started some three years back.

I quickly found upon entering my own job that the streets are full of people who have conflicting ideas on how best to do national production. You know how deeply I have gone into this subject in trying to make up my own mind on the question. You have been instrumental in helping me to resolve this very important issue and I am grateful to you for it.

Because of the very good arrangements you have developed, I know that [REDACTED] will be able to make a comfortable transition. And, I think he will prove to be a worthy successor to you.

Again, you have the thanks and gratitude of your associates throughout the Intelligence Community and in particular from me.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

George Bush

*Best of luck in
[REDACTED] Save me
a bed!! GB*

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